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Carbon Pricing

Whereas Carbon pricing will impact Canadian manufacturer competitiveness in the market;

and Whereas communities in the Atlantic Provinces are extremely dependent on exports;

and Whereas many Atlantic Canada manufacturers are Emission Intensive and Trade Exposed and could lose their market competitiveness by adding carbon pricing;

and Whereas a well designed Cap and Trade system provides an opportunity for industrial emitters to reduce their emissions at the lowest possible cost and thus remain competitive;

and Whereas an offset system that recognizes the importance of forest carbon sequestration, improved forest management activities, early actions already taken by industries and is designed to allow international trading of carbon offsets with other jurisdictions will foster market competitiveness while reducing the carbon footprint;

Therefore be it resolved that the Atlantic Mayors Congress strongly recommend to Atlantic Provincial governments and the Government of Canada that they support a well designed Cap and Trade system rather than a Carbon Tax to meet our commitments to reduce our carbon footprint.

E-passed by majority vote

2 abstentions